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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

pplicant: Paul M. Konnersman

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For:

COMPUTER BASED SYSTEM FOR

WORK PROCESSES THAT

CONSIST OF INTERDEPENDENT DECISIONS INVOLVING ONE OR

MORE PARTICIPANTS

Art Unit: 2162

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## **RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2001, please amend the application as follows.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

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Please amend the following claims:

(Amended) A method for managing work processes comprising: 1.

instantiating project models as instances of a decision process model comprised of interdependent decisions, to which said project models conform,